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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116
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In Re Application of:

Robert D. Ainsworth, et al.

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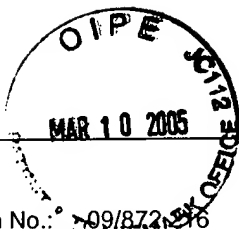
AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner enter this Amendment After Final Action under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 and reconsider the application as amended for allowance. Applicant respectfully submits that the above amendments place the claims in condition for allowance. The following remarks are responsive to the Final Office Action mailed November 4, 2004.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL****PATENT**

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- ☒ An Amendment After Final Action (37 CFR 1.116) is attached and applicant(s) request expedited action.
☒ Charge any fee not covered by any check submitted to Deposit Account No. 02-2666.
☒ Applicant(s) hereby request and authorize the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to (1) treat any concurrent or future reply that requires a petition for extension of time as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time and (2) charge all required fees, including extension of time fees and fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17, for any concurrent or future reply to Deposit Account No. 02-2666.
____ Applicant(s) claim small entity status (37 CFR 1.27).

ATTACHMENTS

- ____ Preliminary Amendment
____ Amendment/Response with respect to Office Action
☒ Amendment/Response After Final Action (37 CFR 1.116) (resubmitted)
____ Notice of Appeal
☒ RCE (Request for Continued Examination)
____ Supplemental Declaration
____ Terminal Disclaimer (reminder: if executed by an attorney, the attorney must be properly of record)
____ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
____ Copies of IDS citations
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